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The Minister of Transport in exercise of his powers under sections 6, 8, 12, 13, 14, 16 (as amended by section 46 of the Road Traffic Act 1962(a)), 23 and 24 of, and paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to, the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1962(b) and under section 11 of the Finance Act 1964(c), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

PART I—PRELIMINARY

Commencement and citation

1. These Regulations shall come into operation on 1st September 1964, and may be cited as the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations 1964.

Revocation, savings and transitional provisions

2. The Regulations specified in Schedule 1 to these Regulations are hereby revoked but—

(*a*) in so far as any application or declaration made, particulars furnished, notification given, licence, certificate, registration or limited trade licence book or other document or trade plate issued, record kept, registration mark assigned or other thing done under the said Regulations could have been made, furnished, given, issued, kept, assigned or done under a corresponding provision of these Regulations, it shall not be

(a) 10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 59. (b) 10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 13. (c) 1964 c. 49.

invalidated by the said revocation, but shall have effect as if made, furnished, given, issued, kept, assigned or done under that corresponding provision;

(*b*) any reference in such application, declaration, particulars, notification, certificate, registration or limited trade licence book or other document to any provision of the Regulations revoked by these Regulations, whether specifically or by means of a general description, shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to a corresponding provision of these Regulations.

Interpretation

3.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say:—

"the Act" means the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1962;

"bicycle" means a mechanically propelled bicycle (including a motor scooter, a bicycle with an attachment for propelling it by mechanical power and a mechanically propelled bicycle used for drawing a trailer or sidecar) not exceeding 8 hundredweight in weight unladen;

"council" means the council of a county and "county" has the meaning assigned to it by section 24 of the Act;

"hours of darkness" means the time between half-an-hour after sunset and half-an-hour before sunrise;

"invalid vehicle" means a mechanically propelled vehicle (including a cycle with an attachment for propelling it by mechanical power) which does not exceed 6 hundredweight in weight unladen and is adapted and used or kept on a road for an invalid or invalids;

"limited trade licence book" has the meaning assigned thereto in Regulation 34 of these Regulations;

"local taxation officer" means any officer of a council to whom any of the powers and duties of the council in relation to the levying of duties on licences for mechanically propelled vehicles have been delegated;

"Minister" means the Minister of Transport;

"owner" in relation to a vehicle means the person by whom the vehicle is kept and used and the expression "ownership" shall be construed accordingly;

"pedestrian controlled vehicle" means a mechanically propelled vehicle with three or more wheels which does not exceed 8 hundredweight in weight unladen and which is neither constructed nor adapted for use nor used for the carriage of a driver or passenger;

"prescribed" means, in relation to any declaration or particulars, prescribed by the Road Vehicles (Excise) (Prescribed Particulars) Regulations 1957(a);

"register" has the meaning assigned thereto in Regulation 10 of these Regulations;

"road" has the meaning assigned thereto in section 257 of the Road Traffic Act 1960;

"trade licence", "general trade licence" and "limited trade licence" have the meanings assigned to them by section 12 of the Act;

(a) S.I. 1957/702 (1957 II, p. 2128).

" trade plates " has the meaning assigned thereto in Regulation 34 of these Regulations ;

" tricycle " means a mechanically propelled tricycle (including a motor scooter and a tricycle with an attachment for propelling it by mechanical power) not exceeding 8 hundredweight in weight unladen and not being a pedestrian controlled vehicle ;

" works truck " means a mechanically propelled vehicle designed for use in private premises and used on a road only in delivering goods from or to such premises to or from a vehicle on a road in the immediate neighbourhood, or in passing from one part of any such premises to another or to other private premises in the immediate neighbourhood or in connection with road works while at or in the immediate neighbourhood of the site of such works.

(2) Any reference in these Regulations to any enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended by or under any subsequent enactment.

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889(a) shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament, and as if for the purposes of section 38 of that Act these Regulations were an Act of Parliament and the Regulations revoked by Regulation 2 of these Regulations were Acts of Parliament thereby repealed.

PART II—LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

Application for licences

4. A person who keeps a mechanically propelled vehicle and who desires to obtain a licence for it under the Act may apply for it to :—

(*a*) the council with which the vehicle is registered ;

(*b*) where he has not previously obtained, or had delivered to him in accordance with Regulation 15(1) of these Regulations, a licence in respect of the vehicle, the council in whose area the vehicle will ordinarily be kept or is at the time of the application :

Provided that where the keeper of a mechanically propelled vehicle satisfies the council of the area in which he declares a place of his business to be situated that the vehicle is not ordinarily kept in any one area, application for a licence for the vehicle may be made to that council ; or

(*c*) where a licence has previously been issued in respect of the vehicle, any post office authorised for that purpose by the Postmaster General within the area of the council with which the vehicle is registered, if the following conditions are satisfied :—

(i) the application is made not more than 14 days before and not more than 14 days after the expiry of the last licence previously issued in respect of the vehicle, and the application is for a licence of the same duration as such last licence ;

(ii) such last licence is delivered up to the post office with the application ;

(iii) a current certificate of insurance issued in accordance with the Motor Vehicles (Third Party Risks) Regulations 1961(b) in relation to the vehicle is produced ;

(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (b) S.I. 1961/1465 (1961 II, p. 2967).

(iv) if there has been a change of ownership or address since the date on which such last licence was issued, the appropriate council have made such a record in the registration book as is required by Regulation 16 or 17 (as the case may be) of these Regulations ;

(v) no alteration has been made to the vehicle since that date and there has been no change in the use thereof so as in either case to bring the vehicle within a class or description which is one in relation to which duty payable under the Act falls to be determined and which is different from the class or description in relation to which duty on the vehicle was last paid, or to render payable under the Act duty at a rate different from the rate at which duty was last paid ; and

(vi) there is a vacant space in the registration book issued in respect of the vehicle in which the issue of the new licence may be recorded.

5. A person who keeps a mechanically propelled vehicle and who desires to obtain a licence for it under the Act shall accompany with his application (comprising the prescribed declaration and prescribed particulars) and such documents as are required to be produced by him on the application by virtue of the Motor Vehicles (Production of Test Certificates) Regulations 1962(**a**), Regulation 9 of the Motor Vehicles (Third Party Risks) Regulations 1961 and Regulation 8 of the Motor Vehicles (International Motor Insurance Card) Regulations 1963(**b**), the following :—

(*a*) where a registration book has been issued in respect of the vehicle, the registration book, and

(*b*) the amount of duty payable on the licence under the Act in respect of the vehicle.

Issue of licence and registration book

6.—(1) Upon the receipt by a council or a post office of an application in accordance with the two last preceding Regulations, that council or post office shall, subject to the provisions of section 8(2)(*b*) of the Act:—

(*a*) if they are satisfied that the vehicle in respect of which the application is made is ordinarily kept within the appropriate area or is one in respect of which they are otherwise authorised to issue a licence, issue to the applicant a licence in such form as may be appropriate to the type or class of vehicle in respect of which the application is made ;

(*b*) in the case of a council enter upon such licence before issue thereof :—

(i) the registration mark assigned to the vehicle ;

(ii) the horse-power, cylinder capacity, maximum seating capacity or weight unladen (as the case may require) in respect of which duty has been paid in any case where the rate of duty depends upon one of those factors ;

(iii) the class and the make of the vehicle ;

(**a**) S.I. 1962/1127 (1962 II, p. 1294). (**b**) S.I. 1963/436 (1963 I, p. 492).

(iv) the amount of duty paid on the licence and the period for which it is taken out;

(v) a stamp or other sufficient mark indicating the name of the authority by which the licence is issued, and the date of issue;

and in the case of a post office enter upon such licence before issue thereof the particulars relating to the vehicle entered upon the last preceding licence delivered up to the post office with the application and the particulars specified in sub-paragraphs (iv) and (v) hereof;

(*c*) subject to the following paragraph, in the case of an application to a council for the first licence for a mechanically propelled vehicle, prepare and issue to such applicant a registration book containing such particulars of the vehicle in respect of which it is issued as the Minister may from time to time direct;

and shall return the documents accompanying the application except for the prescribed declaration, the prescribed particulars and any licence delivered up with the application.

(2) In the case of an application to a council for a licence for a mechanically propelled vehicle which will be ordinarily kept in the area of another council after the licence is issued, the council issuing the licence shall transfer the registration book in respect of the vehicle together with the prescribed declaration and the prescribed particulars and other registration papers (if any) to the other council, and the vehicle shall thereafter be registered in the register of that council and the registration book shall be forwarded by that council to the holder of the licence.

Surrender of licences

7. The holder of a licence (other than a limited trade licence or a licence for a tramcar) who wishes to surrender his licence and claim a rebate in respect of the unexpired term of the licence in accordance with the provisions of section 9 of the Act shall make a signed application in writing to the council with which the vehicle for which the licence was taken out is registered under the Act, or in the case of a general trade licence to the council by which the licence was issued, and at the same time he shall deliver up his licence to that council and, in the case of a general trade licence, return any trade plates issued to him in connection therewith.

Application for duplicate licence or registration book

8.—(1) If a licence or a registration book issued by a council in respect of a vehicle under these Regulations is lost, destroyed, mutilated or accidentally defaced or the figures and particulars thereon have become illegible or the colour of the licence has become altered by fading or otherwise, the owner of the vehicle shall apply to the council with which the vehicle is registered for the issue to him of a duplicate licence or registration book, as the case may be, and the council upon being satisfied as to such loss, destruction, mutilation, defacement, illegibility or alteration as aforesaid and, where the licence or registration book has been mutilated or accidentally defaced or the figures and particulars thereon have become illegible or the colour of the licence has become altered by fading or otherwise, upon the receipt of the licence or registration book, shall issue a duplicate so marked on payment of a fee of five shillings, and the duplicate so issued shall have the same effect as the original licence or registration book:

Provided that where the council are satisfied that the figures or particulars have become illegible or the colour of the licence has become altered by fading or otherwise without any act or neglect on the part of the holder of the licence they shall issue a duplicate so marked free of charge.

(2) In the case of the loss of any licence or registration book, if at any time after the issue of a duplicate licence or registration book the original licence or registration book is found, the owner of the vehicle, if it is in his possession, shall return it to the council which issued the duplicate thereof, or if it is not in his possession but he becomes aware that it is found, shall take all reasonable steps to obtain possession of it and if successful shall return it to the said council.

Alteration of licences and similar offences

9.—(1) No person shall alter, deface, mutilate or add anything to any licence for any mechanically propelled vehicle or exhibit upon any mechanically propelled vehicle any licence which has been altered, defaced, mutilated or added to as aforesaid or upon which the figures or particulars have become illegible or the colour has become altered by fading or otherwise.

(2) No person shall exhibit on any mechanically propelled vehicle anything which is intended to be or could be mistaken for a licence.

Register of vehicles to be kept by councils

10. Every council shall establish and keep in such form as the Minister may direct a record (in these Regulations referred to as " the register ") of the mechanically propelled vehicles registered by them in pursuance of section 13 of the Act or which in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations are required to be registered with them.

Registration books

11.—(1) A council may, before issuing a registration book or a duplicate thereof to the owner of a mechanically propelled vehicle licensed by or registered with them, require the owner to satisfy them by production of the vehicle for inspection or other sufficient evidence that the vehicle accords with the prescribed particulars furnished in respect of the vehicle.

(2) The owner of a mechanically propelled vehicle in respect of which a registration book has been issued shall produce it for inspection if he is at any reasonable time required to do so by a police officer or a local taxation officer.

(3) A council with which a mechanically propelled vehicle is registered may require the owner of the vehicle to surrender to them for correction the registration book issued in respect of the vehicle in any case where they have reason to believe that the registration book contains particulars which are not correct, and upon being so required the owner of the vehicle shall surrender it to the council forthwith, which shall after correcting the particulars return it to the owner.

(4) No person shall deface or mutilate any registration book or alter or obliterate any entry made therein or, except as provided by Regulation 15(2), make any entry in or addition to a registration book.

Assignment of registration marks

12.—(1) The registration mark assigned to a vehicle in accordance with section 13 of the Act shall consist of an index mark allotted to the council followed or preceded by the registered number of the vehicle.

(2) The registered number may contain a single letter of the alphabet, which shall, where the registered number follows the index mark, follow the figures in the registered number, and, where the registered number precedes the index mark, precede the figures in the registered number.

(3) The registration mark assigned to a vehicle shall remain the registration mark of that vehicle until the vehicle is broken up, destroyed or sent permanently out of Great Britain.

(4) The index mark and registration number which are declared to have been the index mark and registration number of any vehicle at the 31st day of December 1920 shall be the registration mark of the vehicle and shall thereafter remain the registration mark of that vehicle until the same is broken up, destroyed or sent permanently out of Great Britain:

Provided that if a council are not satisfied that such index mark and registration number were at the 31st day of December 1920 registered in respect of that vehicle under Article III or Article IV of the Motor Car (Registration and Licensing) Order 1903(a) or under Article III or Article IV of the Motor Car Registration and Licensing (Scotland) Order 1903(a) or under Article III or Article IV of the Motor Car (Registration and Licensing) (Ireland) Order 1903(a), as the case may be, they should assign to the vehicle a new registration mark in the form described in paragraph (1) of this Regulation, and in any such case any licence and registration book issued in respect of the vehicle shall be surrendered to the council, which shall issue an amended licence and registration book containing the new registration mark.

(5) For the purposes of this Regulation the expression "index mark allotted to the council" means an index mark which a council may assign to a vehicle as part of the registration mark in accordance with the Road Vehicles (Index Marks) Regulations 1964(b).

Notification of alteration of vehicles

13.—(1) If any alteration, other than an alteration of the nature referred to in the next following Regulation, is made to a mechanically propelled vehicle, which renders any of the particulars contained in the registration book issued in respect of the vehicle incorrect, the owner of the vehicle shall notify the alteration in writing forthwith to the council with which the vehicle is registered and at the same time send the registration book to that council for amendment which shall after recording the alteration in the register return it amended to show the correct particulars of the vehicle.

(2) Where any such alteration renders incorrect any of the particulars shown upon the licence for the vehicle, he shall at the same time as he sends the registration book to the council send the licence to the council, which shall forthwith issue without charge an amended licence showing the correct particulars of the vehicle.

14.—(1) Where a licence has been taken out for a mechanically propelled vehicle and the vehicle is at any time while the licence is in force used in an altered condition or in a manner or for a purpose so that duty at a higher rate becomes chargeable in respect of the licence for the vehicle in accordance with section 10 of the Act, the owner of the vehicle shall furnish the prescribed particulars and make the prescribed declaration appropriate to the vehicle and send the same to the council with which the vehicle is registered together

(a) *See* S.R. & O. Rev. 1903, VIII Locomotive, pp. 23, 44 and 63 respectively.
(b) S.I. 1964/404 (1964 I, p. 635).

with the licence and the registration book issued in respect of the vehicle and the additional duty chargeable calculated in accordance with the provisions of section 10(2) of the Act.

(2) Where a council issue a new licence in exchange for another in accordance with the provisions of section 10(2) of the Act, the council shall after recording the alteration in the register return the registration book sent to them in accordance with the preceding paragraph amended to show the correct particulars of the vehicle.

Notification of change of ownership

15.—(1) On a change of ownership of a mechanically propelled vehicle the previous owner of the vehicle shall deliver the registration book issued in respect of the vehicle and may deliver any current licence issued in respect of the vehicle to the new owner and shall notify in writing forthwith the change of ownership to the council whose name appears in the registration book as the last registration authority stating the registration mark of the vehicle, its make and class and the name and address of the new owner.

(2) Upon acquiring the vehicle the new owner shall—

(*a*) if he intends to use or keep the vehicle upon public roads otherwise than under a trade licence, forthwith insert his name and address in the appropriate part of the registration book and deliver it to the council whose name appears therein as the last registration authority;

(*b*) if he does not intend to use or keep the vehicle upon public roads, forthwith notify the council whose name appears in the registration book as the last registration authority that he is the owner of the vehicle, and he shall state in such notification the registration mark of the vehicle, its make and class, the name and address of the previous owner and the fact that he does not intend to use or keep the vehicle on public roads;

(*c*) if he intends to use the vehicle upon public roads solely under a trade licence, at the expiration of three months from the date when he became the owner of the vehicle or, if a further change of ownership occurs, on the date of that change, whichever is the sooner, notify the council whose name appears in the registration book as the last registration authority his name and address and those of the previous owner.

16.—(1) On receipt of a registration book in pursuance of Regulation 15(2)(*a*) of these Regulations the council, unless the vehicle is ordinarily to be kept in the area of another council, shall forthwith—

(*a*) enter the name and address of the new owner in the register,

(*b*) record with their official stamp in the appropriate part of the registration book the date on which they have noted the change of ownership, and

(*c*) return the registration book to the new owner.

(2) Where the vehicle is ordinarily to be kept in the area of another council, on the receipt of the registration book as aforesaid the council shall forthwith transfer it and the documents relating to the vehicle on the register to that other council, which shall thereupon register the vehicle in the name of the new owner in the register kept by them and take the steps set out in sub-paragraphs (*b*) and (*c*) of the preceding paragraph.

(3) On receipt of a notification in pursuance of sub-paragraph (*b*) or (*c*) of Regulation 15(2) of these Regulations the council shall record the particulars in the register kept by them.

Notification of change of address of owner

17.—(1) If the owner of a mechanically propelled vehicle changes his address he shall forthwith enter particulars of his new address in the space provided in the registration book issued in respect of the vehicle and send the book to the council whose name appears therein as the last registration authority.

(2) On receipt of the registration book in pursuance of the preceding paragraph the council, unless the vehicle is ordinarily to be kept in the area of another council, shall forthwith—

(*a*) note the change of address in the register,

(*b*) record with their official stamp in the appropriate part of the registration book the date on which they have noted the change of address, and

(*c*) return the book to the owner.

(3) Where the vehicle will ordinarily be kept in the area of another council, on the receipt of the registration book as aforesaid the council shall forthwith transfer it and the documents relating to the vehicle on the register to that other council, which shall thereupon register the vehicle in the register kept by them and take the steps set out in sub-paragraphs (*b*) and (*c*) of the preceding paragraph.

Notification of destruction or permanent export

18. When any vehicle is broken up, destroyed or sent permanently out of Great Britain, the owner shall forthwith notify the council whose name appears in the registration book issued in respect of the vehicle as the last registration authority of that fact and shall at the same time surrender the registration book to that council.

Notification of registration particulars

19.—(1) A council, upon being requested to do so by a local authority for any purpose connected with the investigation of an offence, or by or on behalf of a chief officer of police, shall supply to that person free of charge such particulars contained in the register as may be requested of any vehicle registered with the council, and upon being requested to do so by any person who can show to the satisfaction of the council that he has reasonable cause for his request, shall supply to that person on payment of five shillings the name and address of the owner of any vehicle registered with them together with a copy of the particulars shown in the last licence issued in respect of the vehicle.

(2) In this Regulation " local authority " means in relation to England and Wales the council of a county, or the council of a county district, the Common Council of the City of London, the council of a metropolitan borough, or the council of a London borough, and in relation to Scotland means a county council or a town council.

PART III—EXHIBITION OF LICENCES AND REGISTRATION MARKS

Exhibition of licences

20.—(1) Every licence issued under the Act and in force for a mechanically propelled vehicle, excepting a tramcar, shall be fixed to and exhibited on the vehicle in accordance with the provisions of this Regulation at all times while the vehicle is being used or kept on a public road:

Provided that when such a licence is delivered up to a post office with an application for a new licence in accordance with the provisions of Regula-

tion 4 of these Regulations no licence shall be required to be fixed to and exhibited on the vehicle until the new licence is obtained when that licence shall be deemed to be the licence in force for the vehicle for the purposes of this Regulation.

(2) Each such licence shall be fixed to the vehicle in a holder sufficient to protect the licence from any effects of the weather to which it would otherwise be exposed.

(3) The licence shall be exhibited on the vehicle:—

(*a*) in the case of an invalid vehicle, tricycle or bicycle, other than a case specified in sub-paragraph (*b*) or (*c*) of this paragraph, on the near side of the vehicle in front of the driving seat so that all the particulars thereon are clearly visible by daylight from the near side of the road;

(*b*) in the case of a bicycle drawing a side-car or to which a side-car is attached when the bicycle is being kept on a public road, on the near side of the handlebars of the bicycle or on the near side of the side-car in front of the driving seat so that all the particulars thereon are clearly visible by daylight from the near side of the road;

(*c*) in the case of any vehicle fitted with a glass windscreen in front of the driver extending across the vehicle to its near side, on or adjacent to the near side lower corner of the windscreen, so that all particulars thereon are clearly visible by daylight from the near side of the road;

(*d*) in the case of any other vehicle, if the vehicle is fitted with a driver's cab containing a near side window, on such window, or on the near side of the vehicle in front of the driver's seat or towards the front of the vehicle in the case of a pedestrian controlled vehicle and not less than 2 feet 6 inches and not more than 6 feet above the surface of the road, so that in each case all the particulars thereon are clearly visible by daylight from the near side of the road.

Form of registration marks

21. The size, shape and character of any registration mark which is required to be fixed on a vehicle by virtue of the Act shall be in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 2 to these Regulations.

Vehicles registered on or after 1st October 1938

22.—(1) The provisions of this and the next following Regulation shall apply to vehicles, other than works trucks, first registered on or after the 1st October 1938.

(2) In this and the next following Regulation the expression "relevant area" in relation to a registration mark on a vehicle means the area contained in a square described on the ground, in front of the vehicle in the case of a registration mark on the front of the vehicle and behind the vehicle in the case of a registration mark on the back of the vehicle, where one corner of the square is below the middle of the registration mark and the diagonal of the square from that corner is parallel to the longitudinal axis of the vehicle, but excluding any part of the square within ten feet of the vehicle.

(3) The registration mark of the vehicle shall be fixed and displayed on both the front and the back of the vehicle, so that in normal daylight the letters and figures are easily legible from every part of the relevant area, the diagonal of the square governing the relevant area being 75 feet,

except in the case of a bicycle, an invalid vehicle or a pedestrian controlled vehicle, when it shall be 60 feet:

Provided that in the case of the three last mentioned vehicles the registration mark at the front of the vehicle may instead be displayed either,

(i) on a plate with duplicate faces, fixed to the vehicle so that each faces sideways, or

(ii) on both sides of the front mudguard,

so that the registration mark is clearly legible from both sides of the vehicle.

23.—(1) A person using or keeping a mechanically propelled vehicle upon a public road during the hours of darkness shall ensure that every letter and figure of the registration mark displayed on the back of the vehicle, or in the case of a vehicle having attached thereto a trailer or trailers, on the trailer or rearmost trailer (as the case may be) so attached, is at all times so illuminated that in the absence of fog the letters and figures are easily legible from every part of the relevant area, the diagonal of the square governing the relevant area being 60 feet except in the case of a bicycle, an invalid vehicle or a pedestrian controlled vehicle, when it shall be 50 feet.

(2) The provisions of the foregoing paragraph shall not apply in relation to any vehicle when that vehicle is exempted, whether wholly or partially, by virtue of Regulations under the Road Transport Lighting Act 1957(**a**) from showing to the front and to the rear the lights which, but for those Regulations, would be required to be shown by that vehicle by virtue of that Act.

Vehicles registered before 1*st October* 1938

24. The provisions of Schedule 3 to these Regulations shall apply to mechanically propelled vehicles, other than works trucks, first registered before the 1st October 1938 as regards the exhibition of registration marks.

Works trucks

25. The owner of a works truck shall ensure that the registration mark of the vehicle is displayed either on both sides of the vehicle so that it is clearly legible from both sides of the vehicle, or on the back of the vehicle so that it is clearly legible from behind the vehicle, and in either case he shall ensure that the registration mark is so fixed to the vehicle that the letters and figures thereon are in the vertical.

Trailers

26.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3) of this Regulation, where one or more trailers are attached to a mechanically propelled vehicle the owner of the vehicle shall ensure that there is displayed on the trailer or rearmost trailer (as the case may be) the registration mark of the mechanically propelled vehicle, and that such registration mark is fixed to and displayed on the trailer as if the trailer were a vehicle of the same class or description as the mechanically propelled vehicle.

(2) Where the registration mark of a mechanically propelled vehicle is fixed to and displayed on a trailer attached to it in accordance with the

(**a**) 5 & 6 Eliz. 2. c. 51.

foregoing paragraph, the requirements of these Regulations as to the fixing to and display of a registration mark on the back of a mechanically propelled vehicle shall not apply to the vehicle drawing the trailer.

(3) Where the mechanically propelled vehicle is a restricted vehicle, the registration mark fixed to and displayed on the trailer in accordance with paragraph (1) of this Regulation may, instead of being that of the vehicle to which the trailer is attached, be that of any other restricted vehicle belonging to the owner of the vehicle to which the trailer is attached, and in such a case the duty in the said paragraph (1) as to fixing and display shall apply as if the other restricted vehicle were the vehicle to which the trailer was attached.

(4) In this Regulation "restricted vehicle" means a vehicle mentioned in section 6(6) of the Act or paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 3 thereto.

PART IV—VEHICLES EXEMPT FROM LICENCE DUTY

Extension of provisions as to registration

27. The provisions of Parts II and III of these Regulations as to registration and matters incidental thereto shall extend to the mechanically propelled vehicles to which the three next following Regulations apply (being vehicles in respect of which duty is not chargeable under the Act) subject to the modifications specified in those Regulations.

Vehicles belonging to the Crown

28.—(1) A Government Department which keeps or uses on a road a mechanically propelled vehicle belonging to the Crown which has not previously been registered under the Act, the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1949 or the Roads Act 1920 shall make the prescribed declaration and furnish the prescribed particulars as if, subject to the provisions of the next following paragraph, the Department desired to obtain a licence for the vehicle.

(2) Such declaration and particulars shall be forwarded either to the council in whose area the vehicle will ordinarily be kept or to the council in whose area an office of the Government Department is situated.

(3) Upon receipt of such declaration and particulars the council shall register the vehicle and assign to the vehicle a registration mark, and any registration mark so assigned shall be deemed to be assigned under section 13 of the Act for the purposes of subsection (2) of that section and these Regulations.

(4) No licence or registration book shall be issued by the council in respect of the vehicle so registered and the provisions of Regulation 6 of these Regulations (which relates to the issue of licences and registration books) shall not apply in respect of the vehicle.

(5) Every mechanically propelled vehicle belonging to the Crown which is kept or used on a road shall for the purposes of identification carry a certificate of Crown ownership signed by a duly authorised officer of the Government Department by which the vehicle is kept or used as aforesaid, and the provisions of Regulation 9 (which relates to the alteration of licences and similar offences) and Regulation 20 (which relates to the exhibition of licences) of these Regulations shall apply as if each reference in those Regulations to a licence issued under the Act included a reference to a certificate of Crown ownership.

(6) The provisions of Regulation 13 (which relates to notification of alteration of vehicles), Regulations 15 and 16 (which relate to notification

of change of ownership of vehicles), Regulation 17 (which relates to notification of change of address of owners of vehicles) and Regulation 18 (which relates to notification of destruction or permanent export of vehicles) of these Regulations shall not, except in so far as Regulation 15 places duties on the previous owner of a vehicle acquired by the Crown, apply in the case of vehicles belonging to the Crown.

(7) Upon the acquisition by the Crown of the ownership of a vehicle which has been registered under the Act, or the transfer of such a vehicle from one Government Department to another, a duly authorised officer of the Department which has acquired the vehicle shall notify the change in writing to the council in whose area the vehicle will ordinarily be kept or in whose area an office of that Department is situated, and where the registration book has been delivered to the Crown in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 15(1) of these Regulations any such notification shall be accompanied by the registration book of the vehicle.

(8) Upon the receipt of a notification under the preceding paragraph the council shall register the vehicle in the name of the Department from which the notification was received unless that Department has certified that the vehicle is used or appropriated for use for naval, military or air force purposes, and shall retain any registration book accompanying the notification.

(9) Where the ownership of a vehicle registered in the name of a Government Department is acquired by a person other than a Government Department, or such a vehicle is broken up, destroyed or sent permanently out of Great Britain, a duly authorised officer of the Department shall forthwith notify the fact to the council with which the vehicle is registered.

(10) Where the ownership of a vehicle registered in the name of a Government Department is acquired by a person other than a Government Department, a registration book in respect of the vehicle shall be issued to that person by the council to which he applies for a licence in respect thereof in accordance with Regulation 4 of these Regulations, or the council to which he forwards the prescribed declaration and the prescribed particulars in accordance with Regulation 29 or 30 of these Regulations, or, if he does not apply for a licence or forward such declaration and particulars, the council with which the vehicle was registered immediately prior to his acquisition of the ownership of the vehicle, upon his making an application to that council in that behalf.

(11) None of the provisions of Parts II and III of these Regulations and of this Regulation except paragraphs (7) and (8) shall apply to any vehicle belonging to the Crown which is used or appropriated for use for naval, military or air force purposes.

Vehicles used for special purposes

29.—(1) This Regulation applies to mechanically propelled vehicles, other than those belonging to the Crown, which are used exclusively on roads not repairable at the public expense or which are exempt from duty by virtue of the provisions of paragraphs (*a*), (*c*), (*d*) or (*e*) of subsection (1) or subsection (6) of section 6 of the Act.

(2) The owner of a vehicle to which this Regulation applies which has not previously been registered under the Act shall make the prescribed declaration and furnish the prescribed particulars as if he desired to take out a licence for the vehicle in accordance with Regulation 4 of these Regulations.

(3) Upon receipt of such declaration and particulars the council shall—

(*a*) register the vehicle and assign to the vehicle a registration mark, and any registration mark so assigned shall be deemed to be assigned

under section 13 of the Act for the purposes of subsection (2) of that section and these Regulations,

(*b*) issue to the owner a registration book with the appropriate particulars of the vehicle in respect of which it is issued entered therein, but no licence shall be issued in respect of the vehicle and the provisions of Regulation 6 of these Regulations shall not apply in respect of the vehicle.

Other exempt vehicles

30.—(1) This Regulation applies to mechanically propelled vehicles which are exempted from duty by or by virtue of the provisions of section 6 of the Act, other than vehicles to which the last preceding Regulation applies, and to mechanically propelled vehicles fitted with controls enabling them to be driven by persons having particular disabilities which are exempted from duty by virtue of the provisions of section 11 of the Finance Act 1964, or which would be so exempted if registered in the name of a person suffering from a particular disability and for which exemption from duty is desired.

(2) The owner of a vehicle to which this Regulation applies shall annually make the prescribed declaration and furnish the prescribed particulars as if, subject to the next following paragraph, he desired to take out a licence for the vehicle, and in the case of a vehicle for which exemption is claimed by virtue of the provisions of the said section 11 he shall accompany with the prescribed declaration and particulars a certificate issued by the Minister of Health or the Secretary of State stating that he obtained a grant paid by the Minister of Health or Secretary of State, as the case may be, in respect of the cost of fitting controls to the vehicle out of moneys provided by Parliament or that his disability is of a kind in the case of which grants in respect of the fitting of such controls are so paid.

(3) Such declaration and particulars and any certificate shall be forwarded to the council in whose area the vehicle will ordinarily be kept.

(4) Upon receipt of such declaration and particulars and any certificate the council shall—

(*a*) if the vehicle has not previously been registered under the Act register the vehicle, assign to the vehicle a registration mark and issue to the owner a registration book with the appropriate particulars of the vehicle in respect of which it is issued entered therein, and any registration mark so assigned shall be deemed to be assigned under section 13 of the Act for the purposes of subsection (2) of that section and these Regulations, and

(*b*) issue to the owner of the vehicle a document in respect thereof in the form of a licence valid for a period of twelve months running from the beginning of the month in which the document first has effect with the word "NIL" marked in the space provided for indicating the amount of the duty payable and containing such particulars as are specified in sub-paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) and (v) of Regulation 6(1)(*b*) of these Regulations.

(5) Subject to the foregoing the provisions of Regulation 6 of these Regulations shall not apply in respect of the vehicle.

(6) If during the currency of the document mentioned in paragraph (4)(*b*) of this Regulation duty becomes chargeable under the Act in respect of the vehicle to which the document relates, the document shall be returned by the owner of the vehicle forthwith to the council by which it was issued.

(7) The provisions of Regulation 9 (which relates to the alteration of licences and similar offences) and Regulation 20 (which relates to the

exhibition of licences) shall apply in relation to a vehicle to which this Regulation applies as if each reference therein to a licence issued under the Act included a reference to the document issued in respect of the vehicle under paragraph (4)(*b*) of this Regulation.

Civil defence vehicles

31.—(1) A mechanically propelled vehicle shall not be chargeable with duty under the Act by reason only of any use made of it for the purpose of a local or police authority's functions in connection with civil defence as defined in the Civil Defence Act 1948(**a**), or by reason of its being kept on a road for such use.

(2) In this Regulation the expression "police authority", as respects England and Wales, has the same meaning as in the Police Pensions Act 1921(**b**), as amended by section 3(3) of, and Schedule 2 to, the Police Act 1946(**c**) and, as respects Scotland, has the same meaning as in the Police (Scotland) Act 1956(**d**).

PART V—TRADE LICENCES

Applications for trade licences

32. For the purposes of section 12 of the Act the prescribed manner for a motor trader to make an application to take out a licence under that section for all mechanically propelled vehicles used by him shall be to furnish the prescribed particulars and make the prescribed declaration.

Form of trade licences

33. Each trade licence issued by a council shall contain the following particulars:—

(*a*) the name and business address of the person to whom the licence is issued;

(*b*) the general registration mark assigned to that person;

(*c*) the date of expiry of the licence;

(*d*) the amount of duty paid;

(*e*) the serial number of the licence;

(*f*) the date stamp of the office of issue.

Issue of trade plates and limited trade licence books

34.—(1) A council shall issue to every holder of a trade licence two plates (in these Regulations referred to as "trade plates") appropriate to the class of vehicles on which they will be used showing the general registration mark assigned to the holder of the licence, and one of the plates so issued shall contain means whereby the licence may be fixed thereto:

Provided that where the holder of a trade licence satisfies the council by which it was issued that the vehicles which he will use by virtue of the licence include vehicles which would otherwise be liable to duty under Schedule 1 to the Act and other vehicles he shall be entitled to be issued free of charge with two trade plates appropriate to each class of vehicles.

(2) The trade plates issued by councils under this Regulation shall conform to such specifications as the Minister may from time to time direct.

(3) Each such trade plate shall remain the property of the council by which it was issued, and shall be returned to the council on demand if the person to whom it was issued no longer holds a trade licence.

(**a**) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 5. (**b**) 11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. 31.
(**c**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 46. (**d**) 4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. 26.

(4) If any trade plate issued by a council to the holder of a trade licence is lost, stolen, destroyed or defaced, the licence holder shall forthwith notify the council which shall supply the holder with a replacement for that trade plate.

(5) No person shall fraudulently alter or use, or fraudulently lend or allow to be used by any other person, any trade plate.

(6) In the case of a limited trade licence a council shall also issue to the holder of the licence a book (in these Regulations referred to as a " limited trade licence book ") in a form approved by the Minister.

Notification of change of address

35. If the holder of a trade licence changes his business address he shall notify this fact and the new address forthwith to the council by which the licence was issued.

General trade licences

36. The following set of Regulations contained in Regulations 37 and 38 of these Regulations shall apply to general trade licences in respect of the conditions subject to which they are to be issued and the purposes for which they may be used.

37. No person shall use a vehicle on a public road by virtue of a general trade licence except in accordance with the following provisions :—

(*a*) there shall be fixed to and displayed on the vehicle the trade plates issued with the general trade licence in such a manner that, if the vehicle were a vehicle first registered on or after the 1st October 1938 and the trade plates contained the registration mark assigned to the vehicle, the provisions of Regulations 22 and 23 would be complied with as respects vehicles other than works trucks, and as respects works trucks, the provisions of Regulation 25 would be complied with ;

(*b*) where in accordance with the provisions of the preceding paragraph a trade plate is required to be fixed to the front of a vehicle, the trade plate so fixed shall be that containing means for fixing the licence thereto, and the general trade licence shall be displayed on that trade plate so as to be at all times clearly visible by daylight from the front of the vehicle.

38.—(1) No person to whom a general trade licence has been issued shall use any vehicle on a public road by virtue of the licence for a purpose other than one of the following :—

(*a*) a purpose connected with his business as a manufacturer or repairer of or dealer in mechanically propelled vehicles,

(*b*) a purpose connected with his business as a manufacturer or repairer of or dealer in trailers carried on in conjunction with his business as a motor trader,

(*c*) any additional purpose of the holder of the trade licence whilst the vehicle is being used for a purpose described in sub-paragraph (*a*) or (*b*) of this paragraph:

Provided that in accordance with subsection (3) of section 12 of the Act the above-mentioned purposes shall not include the collection or delivery of mechanically propelled vehicles on or by means of another mechanically propelled vehicle, except in connection with activities which would be treated for the purposes of that section as part of the business of a motor trader

apart from the provision in subsection (10) of that section as to the construction of the reference therein to a dealer in such vehicles.

(2) The use of a vehicle for carrying passengers for hire or reward or a social or recreational activity shall not be regarded as the use of the vehicle for a purpose connected with the business of the trade licence holder as a motor trader.

(3) The use of a vehicle for the purpose of enabling a prospective purchaser to test the vehicle or for demonstrating its operation when being handed over to a purchaser shall not be regarded as a use for the purpose of the business of the trade licence holder as a motor trader unless there is present in the vehicle (except in the case of a vehicle which is constructed to carry only one person) the holder of the general trade licence or an employee of his.

Limited trade licences

39. The following set of Regulations contained in Regulations 40 and 41 of these Regulations shall apply to limited trade licences in respect of the conditions subject to which they are to be issued and the purposes for which they may be used.

40. No person shall use a vehicle on a public road by virtue of a limited trade licence except in accordance with the following provisions:—

(1) (*a*) On each occasion before a vehicle is so used there shall be completed in duplicate the appropriate entries in the limited trade licence book.

(*b*) During the whole of the journey to which the entries relate one copy of the entries shall be carried on the vehicle, and shall be produced for inspection at any time during such journey by the driver upon the demand of a police officer or a local taxation officer.

(*c*) The provisions of paragraphs (*a*) and (*b*) of Regulation 37 of these Regulations (which relate to the fixing and display of trade plates) shall be complied with as if each reference in those paragraphs to a general trade licence were a reference to a limited trade licence.

(2) (*a*) No person shall be carried on the vehicle or any trailer drawn thereby other than—

(i) the driver or drivers of the vehicle,

(ii) any person required to be on the vehicle or trailer by, or by virtue of, the Road Traffic Act 1960,

(iii) any person carried for the purpose of fulfilling his statutory duties in connection with an inspection of the vehicle or trailer,

(iv) any person in a broken-down vehicle being towed,

(v) the holder of the limited trade licence or an employee of his, if in either case his presence is necessary for the purpose for which the vehicle is being used,

(vi) a prospective purchaser or his servant or agent, or in the case of a vehicle being used for the purpose described in Regulation 41(1)(*e*) of these Regulations a purchaser or his servant or agent.

(*b*) In the case of a person coming within sub-paragraph (iv) of the preceding paragraph not more than one such person shall be carried and in the case of a person coming within sub-paragraph (v) or (vi) of the preceding paragraph not more than two such persons shall be carried, and where a person coming within the said sub-paragraph (vi) is carried

he shall be accompanied (except in the case of a vehicle which is constructed to carry only one person) by the holder of the limited trade licence or an employee of his.

(3) (*a*) The vehicle or any trailer drawn thereby shall not be used for carrying goods or burden of any description except:—

(i) a vehicle in a condition described in Regulation 41(1)(*h*) of these Regulations when the former vehicle is being used for the purpose described in that provision,

(ii) for testing the vehicle or trailer.

(*b*) Any goods or burden carried for testing the vehicle or trailer shall—

(i) be carried solely for that purpose,

(ii) consist solely of some ordinary form of ballast such as sand, gravel or scrap iron,

(iii) be returned to the place of loading without having been removed from the vehicle or trailer except to such extent as may be necessary for the purposes of the test or in case of an accident.

(*c*) The prohibition in paragraph (3)(*a*) of this Regulation shall not apply to goods which are being carried otherwise than for hire or reward if the mechanically propelled vehicle and any trailer drawn thereby are new vehicles in the course of delivery to a purchaser or to a railway station, port or airfield for export.

41.—(1) No person to whom a limited trade licence has been issued shall use any vehicle on a public road by virtue of that licence for a purpose other than one of the following:—

(*a*) for its test or trial in the ordinary course of construction or repair or immediately after completion in either such case;

(*b*) for proceeding to or from a public weighbridge for ascertaining its unladen weight or to or from any place for its registration or inspection by a council;

(*c*) for its test or trial for the benefit of a prospective purchaser, for proceeding at the instance of a prospective purchaser to any place for the purpose of such test or trial, or for returning after such test or trial;

(*d*) for delivering it to the place where the purchaser intends to keep it;

(*e*) for demonstrating its operation when being handed over to the purchaser;

(*f*) for delivering it from his premises to the premises of another manufacturer or repairer of or dealer in mechanically propelled vehicles or removing it from the premises of another manufacturer or repairer of or dealer in mechanically propelled vehicles direct to his own premises;

(*g*) for proceeding to or returning from a workshop in which a body is to be or has been fitted to it or it is to be or has been painted or repaired;

(*h*) for towing or carrying another vehicle which, while being driven upon a public road, has become unable to proceed under its own power, from the place where it has broken down to a place for repair or storage, or for towing a trolley vehicle;

(*i*) for proceeding from the premises of a manufacturer or repairer of or dealer in mechanically propelled vehicles to a place from which it is

to be transported by train, ship or aircraft or for proceeding to the premises of such a manufacturer, repairer or dealer from a place to which it has been so transported;

(*j*) for proceeding to or returning from any garage, auction room or other place at which vehicles are usually stored or usually or periodically offered for sale and at which the vehicle is to be or has been stored or is to be or has been offered for sale as the case may be;

(*k*) in the case of a vehicle which is for the time being laid up by its owner, for proceeding from the place where it is stored to some other place of storage.

(2) Nothing in the preceding paragraph shall authorise the use of a vehicle on a public road by virtue of a limited trade licence for a purpose for which the vehicle could not be so used by virtue of a general trade licence.

Limited trade licence books

42.—(1) The holder of a limited trade licence shall produce the limited trade licence book for inspection upon any demand made at a reasonable time by a police officer or a local taxation officer, and shall keep such book available for inspection for not less than six months from the date on which the last entry was made in the book in accordance with Regulation 40(1)(*a*) of these Regulations at the place specified in the application for the limited trade licence in respect of which it was issued as the place at which the book will be kept.

(2) No person shall delete, obliterate or destroy any entry in a limited trade licence book which is required to be kept in accordance with the preceding paragraph or any copy of such entry which is required to be carried on a vehicle in accordance with Regulation 40(1)(*b*) of these Regulations, or make any entry or alteration to an entry which is to his knowledge false or misleading.

PART VI—HACKNEY CARRIAGES

Distinctive signs for hackney carriages

43.—(1) The distinctive sign, which subject to the exceptions prescribed in paragraph (2) of this Regulation, every mechanically propelled vehicle which is chargeable with duty as a hackney carriage is required to exhibit in accordance with section 14 of the Act, shall comply with the diagram and specification set out in Schedule 4 to these Regulations, and shall be exhibited on the back of the vehicle in an upright position, so as at all times to be clearly visible in daylight from behind the vehicle.

(2) The following vehicles shall be excepted from the above-mentioned requirement in section 14 of the Act:—

(*a*) tramcars,

(*b*) vehicles in respect of which the rate of duty under the Act as a hackney carriage is not less than the rate of duty under Schedule 5 to the Act,

(*c*) vehicles licensed to ply for hire which carry in a conspicuous position on the outside of the vehicle a mark in the form prescribed by the authority by whom it is so licensed indicating clearly that the vehicle is a hackney carriage so licensed,

(*d*) hackney carriages temporarily adapted for and being used solely for the conveyance of goods in the course of trade.

Seating capacity of hackney carriages

44.—(1) For the purposes of Schedule 2 to the Act (which prescribes the annual rates of duty on hackney carriages) the seating capacity of a vehicle shall be determined as follows:—

(*a*) where separate seats for each person are provided one person shall be counted for each separate seat provided;

(*b*) where the vehicle is fitted with continuous seats one person shall be counted for each complete length of 16 inches measured in a straight line lengthwise on the front of each seat, and where any such continuous seat is fitted with arms for the purpose of separating the seating spaces and such arms are so constructed that they can be folded back or otherwise put out of use such seat shall be measured for the purposes of this Regulation as if it had not been fitted with such arms:

Provided that in calculating the seating capacity of any vehicle the driver's seat shall be excluded, and where on any vehicle there are seats alongside the driver's seat, whether separate from or continuous with the driver's seat, and the council is satisfied that those seats will not during the currency of the licence to be issued be permitted to be used by members of the public travelling on the vehicle, those seats shall be excluded in calculating the seating capacity of the vehicle.

(2) For the purposes of this Regulation the expression "the driver's seat" means any separate seat occupied by the driver of the vehicle, or, where no such separate seat is provided and the driver occupies a portion of a continuous seat, so much of that seat as extends from the right edge of the seat in the case of a vehicle steered from the right-hand side, or from the left edge of the seat in the case of a vehicle steered from the left-hand side, to a point 18 inches left or right, as the case may be, of the point on the seat directly in rear of the centre of the steering column.

PART VII—MISCELLANEOUS

Horse-power

45.—(1) For the purposes of any rate of duty under the Act the horse-power of any mechanically propelled vehicle deriving its motive power wholly from an internal combustion engine worked by a cylinder or cylinders shall be taken to be:—

(*a*) in the case of a single-cylinder engine, the horse-power attributable to the cylinder of the engine;

(*b*) in the case of an engine having two or more cylinders, the sum of the horse-powers attributable to the separate cylinders.

(2) The horse-power attributable to any cylinder of an internal combustion engine shall be deemed to be equal to the square of the internal diameter of such cylinder measured in inches divided by, in the case of a cylinder having a single piston, 2·5, and in the case of a cylinder having two pistons, 1·6.

(3) The horse-power of any mechanically propelled vehicle deriving its power wholly from a steam engine shall be taken to be proportional to the effective heating surface of the boiler supplying steam to such engine, at the rate of 1 horse-power for every 3 square feet in such effective heating surface, and the effective heating surface shall be taken to be:—

(*a*) in the case of a boiler having horizontal or approximately horizontal tubes, the whole of that surface of the tubes which is exposed to the flame or hot gases;

(*b*) in the case of a boiler having vertical or approximately vertical tubes, half of that surface of the tubes which is exposed to the flame or hot gases.

(4) In measuring cylinders and boilers for the purpose of calculating horse-power, and in calculating horse-power, fractions of inches and feet and fractions of a unit of horse-power are to be taken into account:

Provided that in the final calculation of horse-power a resultant fraction of less than 0·1 of a unit of horse-power shall be omitted.

Cylinder capacity

46.—(1) For the purposes of any rate of duty under the Act the cylinder capacity of any mechanically propelled vehicle deriving its motive power wholly from an internal combustion engine worked by a cylinder or cylinders shall be taken to be:—

(*a*) in the case of a single-cylinder engine, the cylinder capacity attributable to the cylinder of the engine;

(*b*) in the case of an engine having two or more cylinders, the sum of the cylinder capacities attributable to the separate cylinders.

(2) The cylinder capacity attributable to any cylinder of an internal combustion engine shall be deemed to be equal to:—

(*a*) in the case of a cylinder having a single piston, the product expressed in cubic centimetres of the square of the internal diameter of such cylinder measured in centimetres, and the distance through which the piston associated with that cylinder moves during one half of a revolution of the engine measured in centimetres multiplied by 0·7854; and

(*b*) in the case of a cylinder having more than one piston, the sum of the products expressed in cubic centimetres of the square of the internal diameter of each part of the cylinder in which a piston moves measured in centimetres, and the distance through which the piston associated with that diameter moves during one half of a revolution of the engine measured in centimetres multiplied by 0·7854.

(3) In measuring cylinders for the purpose of calculating cylinder capacity, and in calculating cylinder capacity, fractions of centimetres are to be taken into account.

Unladen weight

47. The owner of a vehicle in respect of which duty under the Act is, or may be, payable by reference to its unladen weight, on being required in writing to do so by the council to which he has made an application for a licence for the vehicle or with which the vehicle is registered, shall—

(*a*) furnish the prescribed declaration of weight, or

(*b*) produce the vehicle at a specified time and weighbridge (which time shall be not less than seven days after the date of the requirement) together with any alternative bodies or parts which are by virtue of paragraph 1 of Schedule 6 to the Act required to be included in its unladen weight and cause the vehicle to be weighed at that time and place in the presence of an officer of the council,

in accordance with whichever course the requirement may specify.

Exercise of powers and duties of councils by officers

48. Any officer of a council authorised in that behalf by the council may perform any duty and exercise any power of the council for the purpose of giving effect to these Regulations.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 23rd July 1964.

(L.S.) *Ernest Marples,*
The Minister of Transport.

SCHEDULE 1 (See Regulation 2)

REGULATIONS REVOKED

Title	Year and Number
The Civil Defence Vehicles (Relief from Duty) Regulations 1953	S.I. 1953/269 (1953 II, p. 1880).
The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations 1955	S.I. 1955/1664 (1955 II, p. 2353).
The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 1957	S.I. 1957/701 (1957 II, p. 2141).
The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 1958	S.I. 1958/1069 (1958 II, p. 2116).
The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 1960	S.I. 1960/1648 (1960 III, p. 3007).
The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 1962	S.I. 1962/1610 (1962 II, p. 1861).
The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1962	S.I. 1962/2443 (1962 III, p. 3320).

SCHEDULE 2 (See Regulation 21)

FORM OF REGISTRATION MARKS

PART I

Diagrams showing arrangements of specimen registration marks



Diagram No. 1



Diagram No. 2



Diagram No. 3



Diagram No. 4



Diagram No. 5